This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An aesthetically acceptable toothbrush manufactured from preformed components comprising:

the toothbrush formed from at least two preformed thermoplastic toothbrush components, which are welded together to form a toothbrush having acceptable peel resistant strength; said preformed toothbrush components being selected from the group consisting of at least a part of a head, a neck and a handle, and combinations thereof, said preformed toothbrush components having a different melt flow rate from each other.

2. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 1, wherein said weld has a break strength to withstand a peel force of at least 15 in-lbs. (1.69 joules).

3. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 1, wherein said weld has a break strength to withstand a peel force of at least 18 in-lbs. (2.03 joules).

4. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 1, wherein said weld has a break strength to withstand a peel force of at least 20 in-lbs. (2.26 joules).

5. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 1, wherein said at least one of said components is elastomeric.

6. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 1, wherein a head and a handle are welded by heating each respective component with hot air.

7. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 1, wherein three preformed components or parts thereof are welded together to form a toothbrush.

8. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 7, wherein at least one of said preformed components is elastomeric.

9. (Original) An aesthetically acceptable toothbrush manufactured from preformed components comprising:

the toothbrush formed from at least two preformed toothbrush components, which are welded together to form a toothbrush; said preformed toothbrush components being selected from the group consisting of at least a part of a head, a neck and a handle, and combinations thereof, wherein said components are of different thermoplastic materials having melt flow rates which differ by more than 5 g/10 min.

10. (Original) The toothbrush of claim 9, wherein at least one of said components is elastomeric.

Claims 11-25. (Cancelled)